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THE HISTORY

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP WINNERS

YEAR	HOST NATION	FINALISTS	SCORE	WINNERS
1930	URUGUAY	URUGUAY ARGENTINA	4–2	URUGUAY
1934	ITALY	ITALY CZECHOSLOVAKIA	2–1 (a.e.t.)	ITALY
1938	FRANCE	ITALY HUNGARY	4–2	ITALY
1950	BRAZIL	URUGUAY BRAZIL	2–1	URUGUAY
1954	SWITZERLAND	W. GERMANY HUNGARY	3–2	W. GERMANY
1958	SWEDEN	BRAZIL SWEDEN	5–2	BRAZIL
1962	CHILE	BRAZIL CZECHOSLOVAKIA	3–1	BRAZIL
1966	ENGLAND	ENGLAND W. GERMANY	4–2 (a.e.t.)	ENGLAND
1970	MEXICO	BRAZIL ITALY	4–1	BRAZIL
1974	W. GERMANY	W. GERMANY HOLLAND	2–1	W. GERMANY
1978	ARGENTINA	ARGENTINA HOLLAND	3–1 (a.e.t.)	ARGENTINA
1982	SPAIN	ITALY W. GERMANY	3–1	ITALY
1986	MEXICO	ARGENTINA W. GERMANY	3–2	ARGENTINA

THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD CUP COMPETITION

Every 4 years The World Cup finals generate more excitement, more passion, more commitment and more widespread interest than any other sporting event. It is the only spectacle of its kind that can claim to captivate sport enthusiasts from every continent of the globe as the number of competitors are whittled down from more than 120 nations to just two teams of 11 men desperate for football glory and the most coveted individual award of them all—a World Cup winners medal.

The first ever World Cup final was not however the glorious occasion it is today. Only 13 nations entered the 1930 competition and 7 of those were South American teams. Uruguay had been chosen as hosts, officially because they were reigning Olympic champions from 1928 and would celebrate their centenary to coincide with the tournament. Consequently it turned out to be an event of largely South American interest, with the host nation beating Argentina 4-2 in the final in front of 90,000 people. Uruguay were therefore the first nation to lift the Jules Rimet Trophy, named after the then president of FIFA and founding father of the World Cup championship.

Despite the low numbers that entered the inaugural competition, it was Rimet, convinced that the Olympics could no longer represent the 'best' in football because of its ban on professionalism, that campaigned hard to make The World Cup a success. By the time he retired in 1954 his dream had come true with almost 1 million people attending the Finals in Switzerland to see an incredible 140 goals scored and the West Germans lifting the trophy for the first time.

The modern day World Cup is truly an international event of unrivalled proportions. The 1982 final held in Madrid, Spain was watched on television by over one thousand million people worldwide, and the 1986 final stages in Mexico saw an incredible 2,401,480 people go through the turnstiles to see the teams perform.

The ITALY 1990 World Cup Finals are likely to attract the greatest audience for any single sporting event in the history of mankind. The world's footballing nations (including the U.S.A. for the first time since 1950) wait anxiously for June 8th when Argentina (the holders) and Cameroon get the tournament underway for 4 weeks of unparalleled excitement, passion, controversy and of course spectacular skill.

THE HISTORY

BOBBY CHARLTON

BORN 1937

Bobby Charlton, son of a miner from Northumberland, became not only one of England's greatest football players, but is also acknowledged all over the world as one of the greatest gentlemen and diplomats the game has ever produced.

He began his distinguished career in October 1956 for Manchester United and immediately gave the nation a foretaste of his brilliance by scoring twice in his first full 90 minutes of league football. He went on to score 198 league goals for United in 606 league games, a career spanning 20 years with the 'Red Devils'.

His first full international cap was against Scotland in April 1958, just two months after surviving the horrific 'Busby Babes' aircrash in Munich. He went on to play for his country 106 times, scoring 49 goals —the highest international goal tally ever achieved by an English player.

Bobby played his last professional match for Preston North End on March 29th, 1975 in front of just 7,000 people following a brief spell as player manager there. However he will always be remembered by the footballing public worldwide for his outstanding contribution to the game both on and off the field.

PELE

BORN 1940

Born Edson Arantes di Nascimento near Sao Paulo in Brazil, Pele is still regarded as the best player the world has ever seen and is indeed a legend in his own lifetime.

His club career began with Brazilian junior side Noroste but it was with Santos that he played an incredible 1200 games and scored over 1,000 goals, including 127 strikes in one season alone—a world record unlikely to be beaten!

As an international Pele was no less spectacular. He scored in his first international (against Argentina in July 1957), and hit the target twice in the World Cup Final against Sweden in 1958. He was still just 17 years old. The World Cup Finals of 1970 in Mexico saw him at his breath taking best, and it was there that his two now legendary flashes of utter genius—the 'wrong way' dummy round the Uruguay goalkeeper, and the shot from his own half versus Czechoslovakia—were captured on film, to be played over and over again on televisions all over the world.

Pele finished his career with the New York Cosmos in 1977 in front of 75,000 people, after 20 years of awe-inspiring football that captured the World's imagination and won a permanent place in the sporting hall of fame.

GREAT PLAYERS OF THE PAST

JOHANN CRUYFF

BORN 1947

Cruyff made his league debut at the age of 19, after 9 years of working his way through the extensive youth programme at Ajax Amsterdam. His natural talent, tenacity, and ability to switch positions with uncanny ease, quickly made him the most feared player in the Dutch league and he scored 33 goals in his first full season.

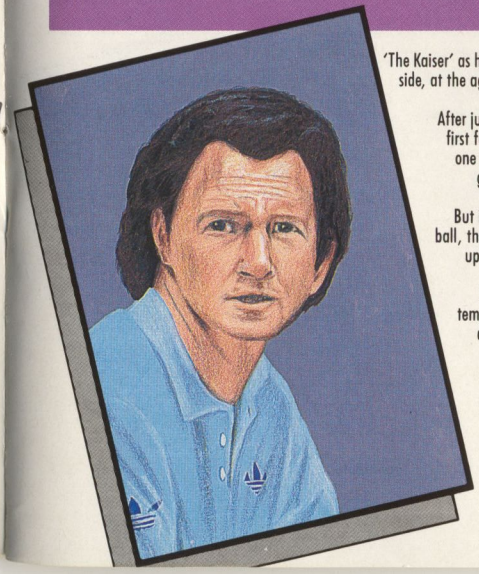
While his club success is unparalleled in the Netherlands, with three European Player of the Year awards to his credit (1971, '73, '74) his international career was severely restricted by his fiery temperament and early retirement. In only his second international Cruyff was involved in an 'incident' with the referee and was sent off for apparently striking an official. A 12 month ban followed. However his ability to play striker, midfield general and inspired winger all in the same game, established him on the International scene as the most dangerous player of the 1970's—as even the best drilled defences often discovered to their cost.

Cruyff became the World's most expensive player in 1974 when he joined Barcelona for £922,000 for whom he won both league and cup medals in Spain before being tempted to the USA for spells with the L.A. Aztecs and Washington Diplomats. Ironically it was with Feyenoord that he finished his playing career, helping them to win the Dutch league title from Ajax in 1984.

GREAT PLAYERS OF THE PAST

FRANZ BECKENBAUER

BORN 1945



'The Kaiser' as he came to be known, began his career with Bayern Munich's youth side, at the age of thirteen and was responsible for the rise of both his Club and the National Team in the 1960's.

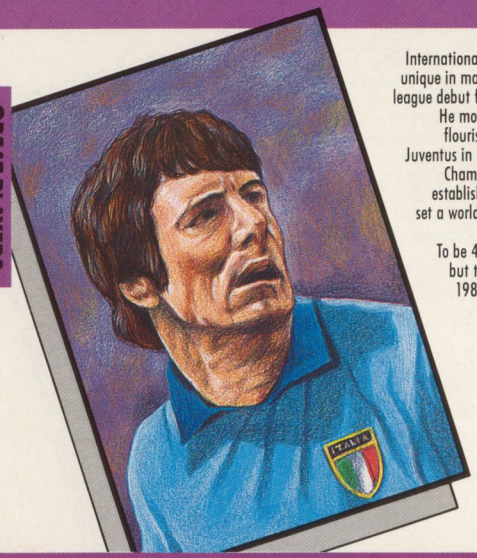
After just 27 first team games (the first on his 18th Birthday) he won his first full cap against Sweden in 1965. By the age of 20 he was not only one of the most accomplished sweepers in the game but also a regular goalscorer, striking fear into domestic, European and International opponents alike.

But it was his abilities as a leader, tactician and supreme passer of the ball, that earned him his nickname and gave West Germany the platform upon which their 1972 European Championship and 1974 World Cup victories were built.

After retiring in 1977 from the German domestic scene, Franz was tempted into joining the New York Cosmos (for a reputed $2.5 million dollars) before returning to his home country in 1982 to win the league title with Hamburg. He is still actively engaged in guiding his country's footballing fortunes, and was Manager of the West German side that lost in the 1986 World Cup Final to Argentina.

DINO ZOFF

BORN 1942

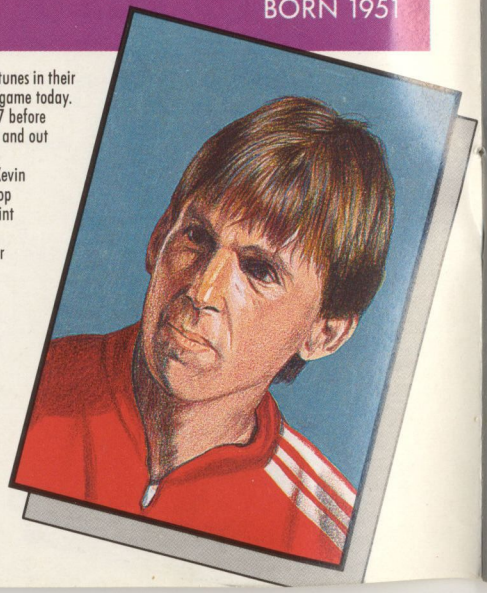


International goalkeeping captains are rare enough, but Dino Zoff's career is unique in many ways. Italy's most capped player with 112 caps, he made his league debut for Udinese in September 1961—and promptly conceded 5 goals! He moved to Mantova the following year where his goalkeeping talents flourished and in 1967 was bought by the mighty Napoli, followed by Juventus in 1972. In 1968 he was called up for his country for the European Championship game versus Bulgaria, but his regular selection was not established until 1974 when, upon starting the World Cup Finals he had set a world record for going an incredible 1,143 minutes without conceding an international goal—only to fall to a strike from lowly Haiti!
To be 40 years old and playing in the World Cup is remarkable enough, but to receive the Jules Rimet trophy as goalkeeping captain in Spain 1982 as Zoff did sums up the career of a man who believed in doing things very much his own way!

GREAT PLAYERS OF THE PAST

KENNY DALGLISH

BORN 1951



Despite having the most consistent impact on his national side's fortunes in their history, Dalglish continues to break records in the British domestic game today. He began his football career with non-league Cumbernauld in 1967 before joining Glasgow Celtic and, playing both in midfield and as an out and out striker, scored 112 goals before moving to Liverpool in 1977.
The move, south of the border, to replace the 'darling of Anfield' Kevin Keegan was not for the faint hearted. But Dalglish soon had the Kop chanting 'King Kenny' as his inspired vision, leadership and pinpoint passing accuracy helped Liverpool to six league titles.
Kenny's influence as an international helped Scotland to qualify for the World Cup Finals in 1974 and 1978 and his 30 goals for his country is a record equalled only by the great Denis Law.
His 103 caps, however, has not been equalled and there are many who believe that Kenny Dalglish may yet play a further part in improving his country's fortunes in the international football arena.

GREAT PLAYERS OF THE PAST

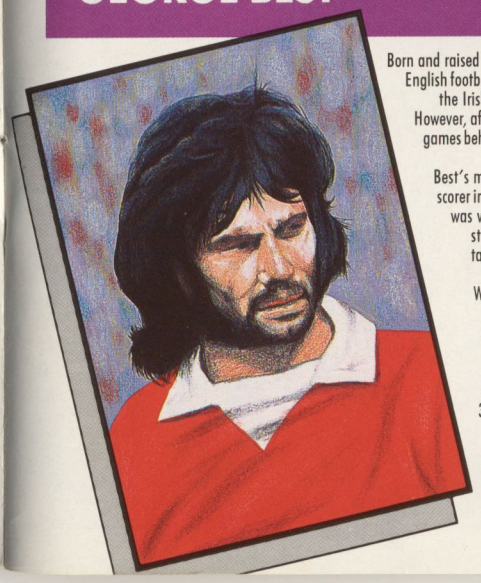
MICHEL PLATINI

BORN 1955

One of Europe's most famous and popular players of recent years, Platini began his career with French 2nd Division side Nancy-Lorraine in 1976. It was here that his talent for turning free-kicks into spectacular goals was developed, and his ability to curl the ball round goalkeepers from the most unlikely positions helped gain Nancy promotion to the 1st Division and earn Platini an international football cap in only his first year in professional football.
From 1976 to 1987 Michel Platini thrilled spectators all over the world with chest touches, impromptu back-heels and incisive passing, but it was from free-kicks outside the box that he struck fear into the hearts of domestic and international teams alike. In 72 internationals he scored 41 goals, including 2 hat-tricks in the 1984 European Championships (which France won), and was voted European player of the year three times.
His final match was as captain of his country against a Rest of the World XI in 1987, but following a brief spell away from the game he was tempted back by the chance to manage the national side. Whether he will be as successful off the field as on it, still remains to be seen, but one thing is certain—he will always be remembered as the only European that could beat the Brazilians at their own game—scoring from outside the penalty area.

GEORGE BEST

BORN 1946



Born and raised in Belfast, George was just 15 years old when the talent scouts of English football giants Manchester United spotted him and whisked him off across the Irish Sea to play in that daunting soccer cauldron called Old Trafford. However, after making his league debut in 1963 and having only 15 full league games behind him, Best made his international debut and established himself as the most talented player ever to come from the Emerald Isle.
Best's most successful season came in 1968 when he was not only the top scorer in the English first division and winner of a European Cup Medal, but was voted European player of the year. His speed, persistence and outstanding genius at close control made him a joy to watch and many talked about him in the same breath as the all time great's such as Pele and Charlton.
Whether he was a victim of the increasingly more pressurised lifestyle his stardom brought him, his own insecurity as a person, or his frustration at never being able to perform regularly in the international arena (as a result of Northern Ireland's poor standing), George's career soon went into sharp decline. He developed a reputation for indiscipline both on and off the field in 1974, after 361 league appearances, 137 league goals for Manchester United, walked out on the club where he had enjoyed so much acclaim. His next nine years saw him play for Stockport County, Fulham, Motherwell, Hibernian and in the North America Soccer League, before finishing his football career at lowly Bournemouth on the 7th May, 1983. A sad end for a player hailed as the most outstanding talent NEVER to play in the World Cup Finals.

ITALY

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY							

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

As host nation, Italy automatically qualify for the Finals of 1990

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

THE STRIPS

GROUP A TEAM 1

THE SQUAD

WALTER ZENGA 9
GOALKEEPER
INTERNAZIONALE

STEFANO TACCONI 7
GOALKEEPER
JUVENTUS

LUCA FUSI 7
DEFENDER
NAPOLI

RICCARDO FERRI 7
DEFENDER
INTERNAZIONALE

LUIGI DE AGOSTINI 8
DEFENDER
JUVENTUS

PAOLO MALDINI 6
DEFENDER
A C MILAN

GIUSEPPE BERGOMI 7
DEFENDER
INTERNAZIONALE

CIRO FERRARA 7
DEFENDER
NAPOLI

FRANCO BARESI 9
SWEEPER
A C MILAN

CARLO ANCELOTTI 7
MIDFIELD
A C MILAN

NICOLA BERTI 7
MIDFIELD
INTERNAZIONALE

ROBERTO BAGGIO 9
MIDFIELD
FIORENTINA

GUISEPPE GIANNINI 8
MIDFIELD
ROMA

ROBERTO DONADONI 8
MIDFIELD/WING
A C MILAN

FERNANDO DE NAPOLI 7
MIDFIELD
NAPOLI

GIANCARLO MOROCCHI 6
MIDFIELD
JUVENTUS

ALDO SERENA 7
FORWARD
INTERNAZIONALE

ANDREA CARNEVALE 8
FORWARD
NAPOLI

GIANLUCA VIALLI 8
FORWARD
SAMPDORIA

ROBERTO MANCINI 6
FORWARD
SAMPDORIA

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

SEEDING 2

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
BELGIUM	8	4	4	0	15	5	12
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	**8**	**5**	**2**	**1**	**13**	**3**	**12**
PORTUGAL	8	4	2	2	11	8	10
SWITZERLAND	8	2	1	5	10	14	5
LUXEMBOURG	8	0	1	7	3	22	1

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
CZECH. v BELGIUM	0–0	2–1	**CZECH.** v SWITZERLAND	3–0	0–1
CZECH. v PORTUGAL	2–1	0–0	**CZECH.** v LUXEMBOURG	4–0	0–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1934
Beaten finalists

1938
Beaten quarter-finalists

1962
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP A TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

JAN STEJSKAL
GOALKEEPER
SPARTA

LUDEK MIKLOSKO
GOALKEEPER
BANIK OSTRAVA

LUBOMIR VLK
DEFENDER
VITKOVICE

VLADIMIR KINIER
DEFENDER
SLOVAN BRATISLAVA

JULIUS BIELIK
DEFENDER
SPARTA

MIROSLAV KADLEC
DEFENDER
VITKOVICE

JAN KOCIAN
DEFENDER
ST. PAULI (WEST GERMANY)

PETER FIEBER
DEFENDER
D.A.C. DUNAJSKA STREDA

MICHAL BILEK
DEFENDER
SPARTA

LUBOMIR WEISS
MIDFIELD
INTERNACIONAL BRATISLAVA

VACLAV NEMECEK
MIDFIELD
SPARTA

IVAN HASEK
MIDFIELD
SPARTA

FRANTISEK STRAKA
MIDFIELD
BORUSSIA MOENCHENGLADBACH (WEST GERMANY)

JOZEF CHOVANEC
MIDFIELD
PSV EINDHOVEN (HOLLAND)

LUBOS KUBIK
MIDFIELD
FIORENTINA (ITALY)

LUBOMIR MORAVCIK
MIDFIELD
PLASTIKA NITRA

STANISLAV GRIGA
FORWARD
SPARTA

TOMAS SKUHRAVY
FORWARD
SPARTA

MILAN LUHOVY
FORWARD
DUKLA PRAGUE

VACLAV DANEK
FORWARD
BANIK OSTRAVA

AUSTRIA

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
U.S.S.R.	8	4	3	1	11	4	11
AUSTRIA	**8**	**3**	**3**	**2**	**9**	**9**	**9**
TURKEY	8	3	1	4	12	10	7
EAST GERMANY	8	3	1	4	9	13	7
ICELAND	8	1	4	3	6	11	6

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
AUSTRIA v U.S.S.R.	0–0	2–0	**AUSTRIA** v E. GERMANY	3–0	1–1
	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
AUSTRIA v TURKEY	3–2	3–0	**AUSTRIA** v ICELAND	2–1	0–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1934
Beaten semi-finalists

1954
Beaten semi-finalists

1978
Beaten quarter-finalists

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP A TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

KLAUS LINDENBERGER
GOALKEEPER
FC TIROL

MICHAEL KONSEL
GOALKEEPER
RAPID VIENNA

ERNST AIGNER
SWEEPER
F.K. AUSTRIA

ANDREAS REISINGER
DEFENDER
RAPID VIENNA

KURT RUSS
DEFENDER
FIRST VIENNA

MICHAEL STREITER
DEFENDER
FC TIROL

ANTON PFEFFER
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
FK AUSTRIA

PETER SCHÖTTEL
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
RAPID VIENNA

MANFRED ZSAK
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
FK AUSTRIA

ROBERT PECL
DEFENDER
RAPID VIENNA

JOSEF DEGEORGI
MIDFIELD
FK AUSTRIA

PETER ARTNER
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
ADMIRA WACKER

ALFRED HORTNAGL
MIDFIELD
FC TIROL

MANFRED LINZMAIER
MIDFIELD
FC TIROL

HEIMO PFEIFENBERGER
FORWARD
RAPID VIENNA

ANDREAS HERZOG
MIDFIELD
RAPID VIENNA

GERHARD RODAX
FORWARD
ADMIRA WACKER

CHRISTIAN KEGLEVITS
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
RAPID VIENNA

ANDREAS OGRIS
FORWARD
FK AUSTRIA

ANTON POLSTER
FORWARD
SEVILLA (SPAIN)

UNITED STATES

SEEDING 4

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
COSTA RICA	8	5	1	2	10	6	11
U.S.A.	**8**	**4**	**3**	**1**	**6**	**3**	**10**
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO	8	3	3	2	7	5	9
GUATEMALA	6	1	1	4	4	7	3
EL SALVADOR	6	0	2	4	2	8	2

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
U.S.A. v COSTA RICA	1–0	1–0	**U.S.A.** v GUATEMALA	2–1	0–0
U.S.A. v TRINIDAD/TOBAGO	1–1	0–1	**U.S.A.** v EL SALVADOR	0–0	0–1

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1930
Beaten semi-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP A TEAM 4

THE SQUAD

TONY MEOLA
GOALKEEPER
UNIV. OF VIRGINIA

DAVID VANOLE
GOALKEEPER
LOS ANGELES HEAT

PAUL KRUMPE
DEFENDER
CALIFORNIA KICKERS

STEVE TRITTSCHUH
DEFENDER
TAMPA BAY ROWDIES

MIKE WINDISCHMANN
DEFENDER
ALBANY CAPITALS

DESMOND ARMSTRONG
DEFENDER
BALTIMORE BLAST

JIMMY BANKS
DEFENDER
MILWAUKEE BAVARIANS

BRIAN BLISS
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
ALBANY CAPITALS

PAUL CALLGIURI
DEFENDER
SV MEPPEN (WEST GERMANY)

JOHN STOLLMEYER
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
FAIRFAX SPARTANS

CHRIS HENDERSON
MIDFIELD
U.C.L.A.

NEIL COVONE
MIDFIELD
WAKE FOREST UNIV.

JOHN HARKES
MIDFIELD
ALBANY CAPITALS

ERIC EICHMANN
MIDFIELD
FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS

TAB RAMOS
MIDFIELD
MIAMI SHARKS

FRANK KLOPAS
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
AEK ATHENS (GREECE)

HUGO PEREZ
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
RED STAR 93 (FRANCE)

BRUCE MURRAY
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
WASHINGTON STARS

BRENT GOULET
FORWARD
TACOMA STARS

PETER VERMES
FORWARD
F.C. VOLENDAM (HOLLAND)

ARGENTINA

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY							

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

As holders, Argentina automatically qualify for the Finals of 1990

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1930
Beaten finalists

1966
Beaten quarter-finalists

1974
Beaten quarter-finalists

1978
Winners

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

1986
Winners

THE STRIPS

GROUP B TEAM 1

THE SQUAD

NERY PUMPIDO
GOALKEEPER
BETIS (SPAIN)

LUIS ISLAS
GOALKEEPER
ATLETICO DE MADRID (SPAIN)

JOSE CUCIUFFO
DEFENDER
VELEZ SARSFIELD

JOSE LUIS BROWN
DEFENDER
MURCIA (SPAIN)

PEDRO MONZON
DEFENDER
INDEPENDIENTE

HERNAN DIAZ
DEFENDER
ROSARIO CENTRAL

NESTOR CLAUSEN
DEFENDER
SION (SWITZERLAND)

NESTOR FABBRI
MIDFIELD/DEFENDER
AVELLANEDA

RICARDO GIUSTI
MIDFIELD/DEFENDER
INDEPENDIENTE

OSCAR RUGGERI
MIDFIELD/DEFENDER
REAL MADRID (SPAIN)

PEDRO TROGLIO
MIDFIELD
LAZIO (ITALY)

HUGO MARADONA
MIDFIELD
RAYO VALLECANO (SPAIN)

HECTOR ENRIQUE
MIDFIELD
RIVER PLATE

JULIO OLARTICOECHEA
MIDFIELD
RACING CLUB

SERGIO BATISTA
MIDFIELD
RIVER PLATE

JORGE BURRUCHAGA
MIDFIELD
NANTES (FRANCE)

GABRIEL CALDERON
FORWARD
PARIS ST-GERMAIN (FRANCE)

CLAUDIO CANIGGIA
FORWARD
ATALANTA (ITALY)

DIEGO MARADONA
FORWARD
NAPOLI (ITALY)

ALFARO MORENO
FORWARD
INDEPENDIENTE

U.S.S.R.

SEEDING 2

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
U.S.S.R.	**8**	**4**	**3**	**1**	**11**	**4**	**11**
AUSTRIA	8	3	3	2	9	9	9
TURKEY	8	3	1	4	12	10	7
EAST GERMANY	8	3	1	4	9	13	7
ICELAND	8	1	4	3	6	11	6

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
U.S.S.R. v AUSTRIA	2–0	0–0	**U.S.S.R. v** ICELAND	1–1	1–1
U.S.S.R. v E. GERMANY	3–0	2–1	**U.S.S.R. v** TURKEY	2–0	0–1

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1958
Beaten quarter-finalists

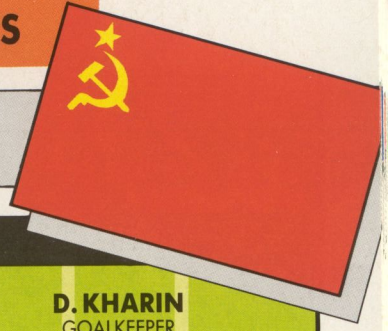
1962
Beaten quarter-finalists

1966
Beaten semi-finalists

1970
Beaten quarter-finalists

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS



GROUP B TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

R. DASSAYEV
GOALKEEPER
SEVILLA (SPAIN)

D. KHARIN
GOALKEEPER
MOSCOW DYNAMO

S. GORLUKOVICH
DEFENDER
LOKOMOTIV MOSCOW

V. SUKRISTOV
DEFENDER
ZHALGIRIS VILNIUS

O. LUZHNY
DEFENDER
DYNAMO KIEV

O. KUZNETSOV
DEFENDER
DYNAMO KIEV

V. KHIDIATULIN
DEFENDER
TOULOUSE (FRANCE)

V. BESSONOV
DEFENDER/SWEEPER
DYNAMO KIEV

A. DEMIANENKO
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
DYNAMO KIEV

G. KETASHVILI
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
DYNAMO TBILISI

S. ALEINIKOV
MIDFIELD
JUVENTUS (ITALY)

S. GOTSMANOV
MIDFIELD
DYNAMO MINSK

G. LITOVCHENKO
MIDFIELD
DYNAMO KIEV

A. MIKHAILICHENKO
MIDFIELD
DYNAMO KIEV

V. RATS
MIDFIELD
DYNAMO KIEV

A. ZAVAROV
MIDFIELD
JUVENTUS (ITALY)

I. DOBROVOLSKY
FORWARD
MOSCOW DYNAMO

A. BORODYUK
FORWARD
MOSCOW DYNAMO

I. BELANOV
FORWARD
DYNAMO KIEV

O. PROTASOV
FORWARD
DYNAMO KIEV

ROMANIA

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ROMANIA	**6**	**4**	**1**	**1**	**10**	**5**	**9**
DENMARK	6	3	2	1	15	6	8
GREECE	6	1	2	3	3	15	4
BULGARIA	6	1	1	4	6	8	3

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
ROMANIA v DENMARK	3–1	3–0
ROMANIA v GREECE	3–0	0–0
ROMANIA v BULGARIA	1–0	1–3

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

Romania have qualified for the finals 4 times – in 1930, 1934, 1938 and 1970 – but have never progressed beyond the first phase.

THE STRIPS

GROUP B TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

SILVIU LUNG
GOALKEEPER
STEAUA BUCHAREST

BOGDAN STELEA
GOALKEEPER
DINAMO BUCHAREST

SORIN CIGAN
DEFENDER
FCM BRASOV

ADRIAN BUMBESCU
DEFENDER
STEAUA BUCHAREST

NICOLAE UNGUREANU
DEFENDER
STEAUA BUCHAREST

IOAN SABAU
DEFENDER
STEAUA BUCHAREST

STEFAN IOVAN
DEFENDER
STEAUA BUCHAREST

IOAN ANDONE
DEFENDER
DINAMO BUCHAREST

MIRCEA REDNIC
DEFENDER
DINAMO BUCHAREST

GHEORGHE DUMITRESCU
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
DINAMO BUCHAREST

DAN PETRESCU
MIDFIELD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

IOSIF ROTARIU
MIDFIELD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

GHEORGHE HAGI
MIDFIELD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

MICHAEL KLEIN
MIDFIELD
CORVINUL HUNEDOARA

GHEORGHE POPESCU
MIDFIELD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

LEON SANDOI
MIDFIELD
FLACARA MORENI

GAVRIL BALINT
MIDFIELD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

DORIN MATEUT
MIDFIELD
DINAMO BUCHAREST

MARIUS LACATUS
FORWARD
STEAUA BUCHAREST

RODION CAMATARU
FORWARD
CHARLEROI (BELGIUM)

CAMEROON

SEEDING 4

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CAMEROON	**6**	**4**	**1**	**1**	**9**	**6**	**9**
NIGERIA	6	3	1	2	7	5	7
ANGOLA	6	1	2	3	6	7	4
GABON	6	2	0	4	5	9	4

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
CAMEROON v NIGERIA	1–0	2–0
CAMEROON v ANGOLA	1–1	1–2

	HOME	AWAY
CAMEROON v GABON	2–1	1–3
CAMEROON v TUNISIA	2–0	0–1

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

Qualified for the final stages in 1982 for the first time and emerged unbeaten, having drawn with eventual winners, Italy.

THE STRIPS

GROUP B TEAM 4

THE SQUAD

ANTOINE BELL
GOALKEEPER
BORDEAUX (FRANCE)

BOE
GOALKEEPER
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

EMMANUEL KUNDE
DEFENDER
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

ETA STEPHEN TATAW
DEFENDER
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

BERTIN EBWELLE
DEFENDER
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

JEAN DENNIS ONANA
DEFENDER
CANON YAOUNDE

BENJAMIN MASSING
DEFENDER
CRETEIL (FRANCE)

JEAN-CLAUDE PAGAL
DEFENDER
LA ROCHE-SUR-YON

EMILE M'BOUH
MIDFIELD
LE HAVRE (FRANCE)

RICHARD TCHAKOUNANG
MIDFIELD
RACING YAOUNDE

LOUIS PAUL M'FEDE
MIDFIELD
CANON YAOUNDE

GREGORY M'BIDA
MIDFIELD
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

THOMAS LIBIH
MIDFIELD
UNION LUXEMBOURG

HANS AGBO
MIDFIELD
PREVOYANCE

ANDRE KANA BIYIK
MIDFIELD
METZ (FRANCE)

CYRILLE MAKANAKY
MIDFIELD
TOULON (FRANCE)

ERNST EBONGUE
FORWARD
BELENENSES (PORTUGAL)

FRANCOIS OMAN BIYIK
FORWARD
LAVAL (FRANCE)

BONAVENTURE DJONKEP
FORWARD
UNION DOUALA

EUGENE EKEKE
FORWARD
VALENCIENNES (FRANCE)

BERTIN OLLE OLLE
FORWARD
TONNERRE YAOUNDE

BRAZIL

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
BRAZIL	**4**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**12**	**2**	**7**
CHILE	4	2	1	1	9	4	5
VENEZUELA	4	0	0	4	2	17	0

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
BRAZIL v CHILE	2–0	1–1
BRAZIL v VENEZUELA	6–0	1–3

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1938
Beaten semi-finalist

1950
Beaten finalists

1954
Beaten quarter-finalists

1958
Winners

1962
Winners

1970
Winners

1974
Beaten semi-finalists

1978
Beaten semi -finalists

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

1986
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP C TEAM 1

THE SQUAD

TAFFAREL
GOALKEEPER
INTERNACIONALE

ACACIO
GOALKEEPER
VASCO DA GAMA

BRANCO
DEFENDER
F C PORTO (PORTUGAL)

JORGINHO
DEFENDER
BAYER LEVERKUSEN (W. GERMANY)

PAULO ROBERTO
DEFENDER
VASCO DA GAMA

MAZINHO
DEFENDER
VASCO DA GAMA

ALOISIO
DEFENDER
BARCELONA (SPAIN)

MOZER
DEFENDER
MARSEILLE (FRANCE)

RICARDO II
DEFENDER
BENFICA (PORTUGAL)

JULIO CESAR
DEFENDER
MONTPELLIER (FRANCE)

TITA
MIDFIELD
PESCARA (ITALY)

CARECA II
MIDFIELD
CRUZEIRO

DUNGA
MIDFIELD
FIORENTINA (ITALY)

VALDO
MIDFIELD
BENFICA (PORTUGAL)

GEOVANI
MIDFIELD
BOLOGNA (ITALY)

ALEMAO
MIDFIELD
NAPOLI (ITALY)

BEBETO
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
VASCO DA GAMA

CARECA
FORWARD
NAPOLI (ITALY)

ROMARIO
FORWARD
P.S.V. EINDHOVEN (HOLLAND)

MULLER
FORWARD
TORINO (ITALY)

SCOTLAND

SEEDING 2

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

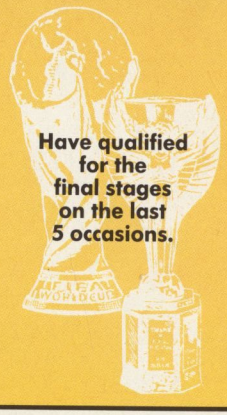
TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
YUGOSLAVIA	8	6	2	0	16	6	14
SCOTLAND	**8**	**4**	**2**	**2**	**12**	**12**	**10**
FRANCE	8	3	3	2	10	7	9
NORWAY	8	2	2	4	10	9	6
CYPRUS	8	0	1	7	6	20	1

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
SCOTLAND v YUGOSLAVIA	1–1	3–1
SCOTLAND v FRANCE	2–0	3–0
SCOTLAND v NORWAY	1–1	1–2
SCOTLAND v CYPRUS	2–1	2–3

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS



Have qualified for the final stages on the last 5 occasions.

THE STRIPS

GROUP C TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

JIM LEIGHTON
GOALKEEPER
MANCHESTER UNITED (ENGLAND)

ANDY GORAM
GOALKEEPER
HIBERNIAN

MAURICE MALPAS
DEFENDER
DUNDEE UNITED

STUART McKIMMIE
DEFENDER
ABERDEEN

DAVID NAREY
DEFENDER
DUNDEE UNITED

WILLIE MILLER
DEFENDER
ABERDEEN

ALEX McLEISH
DEFENDER
ABERDEEN

GARY GILLESPIE
DEFENDER
LIVERPOOL (ENGLAND)

DEREK WHYTE
DEFENDER
GLASGOW CELTIC

DAVE McPHERSON
DEFENDER
HEARTS

MURDO MACLEOD
MIDFIELD
BORUSSIA DORTMUND (W. GER)

PAUL McSTAY
MIDFIELD
GLASGOW CELTIC

STEVE NICOL
MIDFIELD
LIVERPOOL (ENGLAND)

ROY AITKEN
MIDFIELD
NEWCASTLE UNITED (ENGLAND)

PETER GRANT
MIDFIELD
GLASGOW CELTIC

GORDON STRACHAN
MIDFIELD
LEEDS UTD (ENGLAND)

PAT NEVIN
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
EVERTON (ENGLAND)

GRAEME SHARP
FORWARD
EVERTON (ENGLAND)

ALLY Mc COIST
FORWARD
GLASGOW RANGERS

MO JOHNSTON
FORWARD
GLASGOW RANGERS

SWEDEN

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SWEDEN	**6**	**4**	**2**	**0**	**9**	**3**	**10**
ENGLAND	6	3	3	0	10	0	9
POLAND	6	2	1	3	4	8	5
ALBANIA	6	0	0	6	3	15	0

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
SWEDEN v ENGLAND	0–0	0–0
SWEDEN v POLAND	2–1	0–2
SWEDEN v ALBANIA	3–1	1–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1934
Beaten quarter-finalists
1938
Beaten semi-finalists
1950
Beaten semi-finalists
1958
Beaten finalists
1974
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP C TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

THOMAS RAVELLI
GOALKEEPER
IFK GOTHENBURG

SVEN ANDERSSON
GOALKEEPER
ORGRYTE

PETER LÖNN
DEFENDER
NORRKÖPING

SULO VAATOVAARA
DEFENDER
NORRKÖPING

ROGER LJUNG
DEFENDER
YOUNG BOYS BERNE (SWITZERLAND)

ROLAND NILSSON
DEFENDER
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (ENGLAND)

GLENN HYSEN
DEFENDER
LIVERPOOL (ENGLAND)

JOAKIM NILSSON
DEFENDER
MALMÖ

PETER LARSSON
DEFENDER
AJAX AMSTERDAM (HOLLAND)

DENNIS SCHILLER
DEFENDER
LILLESTRÖM (NORWAY)

JONAS THERN
MIDFIELD
BENFICA (PORTUGAL)

LEIF ENQUIST
MIDFIELD
BENFICA (PORTUGAL)

ANDERS LIMPAR
MIDFIELD
CREMONESE (ITALY)

STEFAN GREN
MIDFIELD
I.F.K. GOTHENBURG

KLAS INGESSON
MIDFIELD
MALMÖ

GLENN STROMBERG
MIDFIELD
ATALANTA (ITALY)

JAN HELLSTRÖM
FORWARD
NORRKÖPING

STEFAN PETTERSSON
FORWARD
AJAX AMSTERDAM (HOLLAND)

JOHNNY EKSTROM
FORWARD
CANNES (FRANCE)

MATS MAGNUSSON
FORWARD
BENFICA (PORTUGAL)

WEST GERMANY

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HOLLAND	6	4	2	0	8	2	10
WEST GERMANY	**6**	**3**	**3**	**0**	**13**	**3**	**9**
FINLAND	6	1	1	4	4	16	3
WALES	6	0	2	4	4	8	2

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
W. GERMANY v HOLLAND	0–0	1–1
W. GERMANY v FINLAND	6–1	0–4
W. GERMANY v WALES	2–1	0–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1934
Beaten semi-finalist
1954
Winners
1958
Beaten semi-finalists
1962
Beaten quarter-finalists
1966
Beaten finalists
1970
Beaten semi-finalists
1974
Winners
1978
Beaten quarter-finalists
1982
Beaten finalists
1986
Beaten finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP D TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

TOMISLAV IVKOVIC
GOALKEEPER
SPORTING LISBON (PORTUGAL)

FAHRUDIN OMEROVIC
GOALKEEPER
PARTIZAN BELGRADE

BUDMIR VUJACIC
DEFENDER
PARTIZAN BELGRADE

VUJAD STANOJKOVIC
DEFENDER
PARTIZAN BELGRADE

PREDRAG SPASIC
DEFENDER
PARTIZAN BELGRADE

DAVOR JOZIC
DEFENDER
CESENA (ITALY)

ZORAN VUJOVIC
DEFENDER
CANNES (FRANCE)

MARKO ELSNER
DEFENDER/SWEEPER
NICE (FRANCE)

FARUKH HADZIBEGIC
DEFENDER/SWEEPER
SOCHAUX (FRANCE)

ZORAN VULIC
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
HADJUK SPLIT

SRECKO KATANEC
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
SAMPDORIA (ITALY)

DEJAN SAVICEVIC
MIDFIELD
BUDUCNOST TITOGRAD

DRAGAN STOJKOVIC
MIDFIELD
RED STAR BELGRADE

HARIS SKORO
MIDFIELD
TORINO (ITALY)

MILAN JANKOVIC
MIDFIELD
ANDERLECHT (BELGIUM)

MEHMED BAZDAREVIC
MIDFIELD
SOCHAUX (FRANCE)

SAFET SUSIC
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN (FRANCE)

ZLATKO WJOVIC
FORWARD
CANNES (FRANCE)

PEDRAG MIJATOVIC
FORWARD
BUDUCNOST TITOGRAD

DARKO PANCEV
FORWARD
VARDAR SKOPJE

COLOMBIA

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
COLOMBIA	**4**	**2**	**1**	**1**	**4**	**3**	**5**
PARAGUAY	4	2	0	2	5	6	4
ECUADOR	4	1	1	2	3	3	3

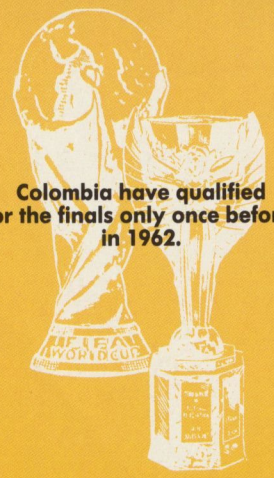
THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
COLOMBIA v ECUADOR	2–0	0–0
COLOMBIA v PARAGUAY	2–1	2–1

(QUALIFYING PLAYOFF)	HOME	AWAY
COLOMBIA v ISRAEL	1–0	0–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS



Colombia have qualified for the finals only once before, in 1962.

THE STRIPS

GROUP D TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

RENE HIGUITA
GOALKEEPER
ATLETICO NACIONAL

EDUARDO NINO
GOALKEEPER
INDEPENDIENTE SANTA FE

LUIS FERNANDO HERRERA
DEFENDER
ATLETICO NACIONAL

LUIS CARLOS PEREA
DEFENDER
ATLETICO NACIONAL

ANDRES ESCOBAR
DEFENDER
ATLETICO NACIONAL

LEON FERNANDO VILLA
DEFENDER
ATLETICO NACIONAL

WILSON PEREZ
DEFENDER
ATLETICO JUNIOR BARRANQUILLA

BERNARDO REDIN
MIDFIELD
DEPORTIVO CALI

CARLOS MARIO HOYOS
MIDFIELD
ATLETICO JUNIOR

CARLOS VALDERRAMA
MIDFIELD
MONTPELIER (FRANCE)

GABRIEL GOMEZ
MIDFIELD
MILLONARIOS

ALEXIS MENDOZA
MIDFIELD
ATLETICO JUNIOR BARRANQUILLA

LEONEL ALVAREZ
MIDFIELD
ATLETICO NACIONAL

WILMER CABRERA
MIDFIELD
INDEPENDIENTE SANTA FE

LUIS FAJARDO
MIDFIELD
ATLETICO NACIONAL

RICARDO PEREZ
MIDFIELD
ATLETICO NACIONAL

JUAN JAIRO GALEANO
FORWARD
ATLETICO NACIONAL

ALBERTO UZURRIAGA
FORWARD
ATLETICO NACIONAL

RUBEN DARIO HERNANDEZ
FORWARD
MILLONARIOS

ARNOLDO IGUARAN
FORWARD
MILLONARIOS

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

SEEDING 4

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

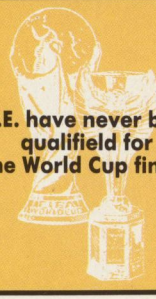
TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTH KOREA	5	3	2	0	5	1	8
U.A.E.	**5**	**1**	**4**	**0**	**4**	**3**	**6**
QATAR	5	1	3	1	4	5	5
CHINA	5	2	0	3	5	6	4
SAUDI ARABIA	5	1	2	2	4	5	4
NORTH KOREA	5	1	1	3	2	4	3

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

U.A.E. SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
U.A.E. v CHINA		2–1
U.A.E. v SAUDI ARABIA		0–0
U.A.E. v QATAR		1–1
U.A.E. v S. KOREA		1–1
U.A.E. v N. KOREA		0–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS



U.A.E. have never before qualifield for the World Cup finals

THE STRIPS

GROUP D TEAM 4

THE SQUAD

ABDUL QADER HASSAN
GOALKEEPER
AL SHABA

ABEL AMAS MUBARAK
GOALKEEPER
AL WASL

ABDUL RAHMAN AL HADDAD
DEFENDER
SHARJAH

IBRAHIM MEER
DEFENDER
SHARJAH

ABDUL ABDULLA
DEFENDER
AL NASR

KHALEEL GHANIM MUBARAK
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

MOHAMMED OBAID HELEL
DEFENDER
AL AIN

MUBARK GHANIM MUBARAK
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

YOUSEF HUSSAIN
DEFENDER
AL AIN

SALIM RABEEA
DEFENDER
AL NASR

ABDUL RAZAQ IBRAHIM
MIDFIELD
AL AHLY

ADNAN AL TALYANI
MIDFIELD
AL SHABA

FAHAD KHAMIS MUBARAK
MIDFIELD
AL WASL

NASSER KHAMIS MUBARAK
MIDFIELD
AL WASL

ABDULLA SULTAN AHMED
MIDFIELD
AL AHLY

FAHAD AL NUWAIS
FORWARD
AL JAZAR

ZUHAIR BAKHEET SAEED
FOWARD
AL WASL

ABDUL AZIZ MOHAMMED
FORWARD
SHARJAH

FAHAD ADUL RAHMAN
FORWARD
AL WASL

HUSSAIN GHULOUM
FORWARD
SHARJAH

BELGIUM

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
BELGIUM	**8**	**4**	**4**	**0**	**15**	**5**	**12**
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	8	5	2	1	13	3	12
PORTUGAL	8	4	2	2	11	8	10
SWITZERLAND	8	2	1	5	10	14	5
LUXEMBOURG	8	0	1	7	3	22	1

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
BELGIUM v SWITZERLAND	1–0	2–2
BELGIUM v CZECH.	2–1	0–0
BELGIUM v PORTUGAL	3–0	1–1
BELGIUM v LUXEMBOURG	1–1	0–5

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

1986
Beaten semi-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP E TEAM 1

THE SQUAD

MICHEL PREUD'HOMME
GOALKEEPER
K V MECHELEN

GILBERT BODART
GOALKEEPER
STANDARD LIEGE

GEORGES GRUN
DEFENDER
ANDERLECHT

ERIC GERETS
DEFENDER
PSV EINDHOVEN (HOLLAND)

FRANKY VAN DER ELST
DEFENDER
F C BRUGGE

STEPHANE DEMOL
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
F C PORTO (PORTUGAL)

LEO CLIJSTERS
DEFENDER
K V MECHELEN

BRUNO VERSAVEL
DEFENDER / MIDFIELD
K V MECHELEN

PATRICK VERVOORT
MIDFIELD
ANDERLECHT

PETER CREVE
MIDFIELD
F C BRUGGE

LUC BEYENS
MIDFIELD
F C BRUGGE

PHILIPPE ALBERT
MIDFIELD
KV MECHELEN

MARC EMMERS
MIDFIELD
K V MECHELEN

LUC NILIS
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
ANDERLECHT

ENZO SCIFO
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
AUXERRE

JAN CEULEMANS
FORWARD
F C BRUGGE

MARC VAN DER LINDEN
FORWARD
ANDERLECHT

MARC DEGRYSE
FORWARD
ANDERLECHT

NICO CLAESEN
FORWARD
ANTWERP

DANNY VEYT
FORWARD
A.A.GHENT

SPAIN

SEEDING 2

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SPAIN	**8**	**6**	**1**	**1**	**20**	**3**	**13**
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	8	5	2	1	10	2	12
HUNGARY	8	2	4	2	8	12	8
NORTHERN IRELAND	8	2	1	5	6	12	5
MALTA	8	0	2	6	3	18	2

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY		HOME	AWAY
SPAIN v Rep of IRELAND	2–0	1–0	**SPAIN** v N. IRELAND	4–0	0–2
SPAIN v HUNGARY	4–0	2–2	**SPAIN** v MALTA	4–0	0–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1934
Beaten quarter-finalists

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

1986
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP E TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

ANDONI ZUBIZARRETA
GOALKEEPER
BARCELONA

BUYO
GOALKEEPER
REAL MADRID

GENARO ADRINUA
DEFENDER
ATHLETICO BILBAO

CHENDO
DEFENDER
REAL MADRID

QUIQUE
DEFENDER
VALENCIA

GORRIZ
DEFENDER
REAL SOCIEDAD

MANUEL JIMENEZ
DEFENDER
SEVILLA

SANCHIS
DEFENDER
REAL MADRID

RICARDO SERNA
DEFENDER/SWEEPER
BARCELONA

LUIS MILLA
MIDFIELD
BARCELONA

MIGUEL SOLER
MIDFIELD
BARCELONA

JOSE MARIA BAQUERO
MIDFIELD
BARCELONA

ROBERTO
MIDFIELD
BARCELONA

EUSEBIO
MIDFIELD
BARCELONA

RAFAEL MARTIN VAZQUEZ
MIDFIELD
REAL MADRID

MICHEL
MIDFIELD
REAL MADRID

JULIO SALINAS
FORWARD
BARCELONA

EMILIO BUTRAGUENO
FORWARD
REAL MADRID

MANOLO
FORWARD
ATLETICO DE MADRID

ELOY
FORWARD
VALENCIA

URUGUAY

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
URUGUAY	**4**	**3**	**0**	**1**	**7**	**2**	**6**
BOLIVIA	4	3	0	1	6	5	6
PERU	4	0	0	4	2	8	0

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY			
URUGUAY v BOLIVIA	2–0	2–1			
URUGUAY v PERU	2–0	0–2			

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1930
Winners

1950
Winners

1954
Beaten semi-finalists

1966
Beaten quarter-finalists

1970
Beaten semi-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP E TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

EDUARDO PEREIRA
GOALKEEPER
INDEPENDIENTE (ARGENTINA)

JAVIER ZEOLI
GOALKEEPER
TENERIFE (SPAIN)

FELIPE REVELEZ
DEFENDER
NACIONAL

JOSE PINTOS SALDANHA
DEFENDER
NACIONAL

HUGO DE LEON
DEFENDER
RIVER PLATE (ARGENTINA)

NELSON GUTIERREZ
DEFENDER
LAZIO (ITALY)

JOSE HERRERA
DEFENDER
PENAROL

ALFONSO DOMININGUEZ
DEFENDER
PENAROL

DARIO PEREYRA
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
SAN PAULO (BRAZIL)

CARLOS CORREIA
MIDFIELD
PENAROL

JOSE PERDOMO
MIDFIELD
GENOA (ITALY)

SANTIAGO OSTOLAZA
MIDFIELD
NACIONAL

RUBEN PEREIRA
MIDFIELD
DANUBIO

ENZO FRANCESCOLI
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
MARSEILLE (FRANCE)

RUBEN PAZ
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
RACING (ARGENTINA)

WILMAR CABRERA
FORWARD
GIJON (SPAIN)

JORGE DA SILVA
FORWARD
RIVER PLATE (ARGENTINA)

RUBEN DA SILVA
FORWARD
DANUBIO

RUBEN SOSA
FORWARD
LAZIO (ITALY)

ANTONIO ALZAMENDI
FORWARD
LOGRONES (SPAIN)

SOUTH KOREA

SEEDING 4

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

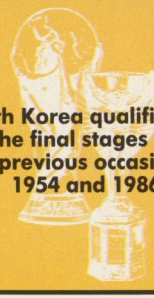
TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTH KOREA	**5**	**3**	**2**	**0**	**5**	**1**	**8**
U.A.E.	5	1	4	0	4	3	6
QATAR	5	1	3	1	4	5	5
CHINA	5	2	0	3	5	6	4
SAUDI ARABIA	5	1	2	2	4	5	4
NORTH KOREA	5	1	1	3	2	4	3

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
S. KOREA v QATAR		0–0
S. KOREA v CHINA		1–0
S. KOREA v U.A.E.		1–1
S. KOREA v N. KOREA		1–0
S. KOREA v SAUDI ARABIA		2–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS



South Korea qualified for the final stages on 2 previous occasions 1954 and 1986

THE STRIPS

GROUP E TEAM 4

THE SQUAD

KIM POON JOO
GOALKEEPER
DAEWOO ROYALS

JEONG GI DONG
GOALKEEPER
LUCKY GOLD STAR

CHUNG JUNG SOO
DEFENDER
YUKONG ELEPHANTS

LEE YOUNG SANG
DEFENDER
HAYUNG UNIVERSITY

KIM SUNG KI
DEFENDER
YUKONG ELEPHANTS

CHOI KANG HEE
DEFENDER
HYUNDAI TIGERS

PARK KYUNG HOON
DEFENDER
POSCO ATOMS

CHUNG YONG HWAN
DEFENDER
DAEWOO ROYALS

GU SANG BUM
MIDFIELD
LUCKY GOLD STAR

YOON DENK YEO
MIDFIELD
HYUNDAI TIGERS

LEE YOUNG JIN
MIDFIELD
LUCKY GOLD STAR

HWANG BO KWAN
MIDFIELD
YUKONG ELEPHANTS

CHOI SANG KUK
MIDFIELD
POSCO ATOMS

BYUN BYUNG JOO
MIDFIELD
DAEWOO ROYALS

HAM HYON KEE
MIDFIELD
HYUNDAI TIGERS

KIM SANG HO
MIDFIELD
POSCO ATOMS

HWAN SEON HONG
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
KUNKUK UNIVERSITY

CHOI SOON HO
FORWARD
LUCKY GOLD STAR

KIM JOO SUNG
FORWARD
DAEWOO ROYALS

BAIK JUNG CHUL
FORWARD
LUCKY GOLD STAR

ENGLAND

SEEDING 1

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SWEDEN	6	4	2	0	9	3	10
ENGLAND	**6**	**3**	**3**	**0**	**10**	**0**	**9**
POLAND	6	2	1	3	4	8	5
ALBANIA	6	0	0	6	3	15	0

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
ENGLAND v SWEDEN	0–0	0–0
ENGLAND v POLAND	3–0	0–0

	HOME	AWAY
ENGLAND v ALBANIA	5–0	0–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1954
Beaten quarter-finalists

1962
Beaten quarter-finalists

1966
Winners

1970
Beaten quarter-finalists

1982
Beaten quarter-finalists

1986
Beaten quarter-finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP F TEAM 1

THE SQUAD

PETER SHILTON
GOALKEEPER
DERBY COUNTY

CHRIS WOODS
GOALKEEPER
GLASGOW RANGERS (SCOTLAND)

STUART PEARCE
DEFENDER
NOTTINGHAM FOREST

GARY STEVENS
DEFENDER
GLASGOW RANGERS (SCOTLAND)

TERRY BUTCHER
DEFENDER
~~GLASGOW RANGERS (SCOTLAND)~~ coventry city

DES WALKER
DEFENDER
NOTTINGHAM FOREST

TONY ADAMS
DEFENDER
ARSENAL

PAUL PARKER
DEFENDER
QUEENS PARK RANGERS

BRYAN ROBSON
MIDFIELD
MANCHESTER UNITED

DAVID ROCASTLE
MIDFIELD
ARSENAL

STEVE McMAHON
MIDFIELD
LIVERPOOL

PAUL GASGOIGNE
MIDFIELD
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

STEVE HODGE
MIDFIELD
NOTTINGHAM FOREST

JOHN BARNES
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
LIVERPOOL

NEIL WEBB
MIDFIELD
MANCHESTER UNITED

DAVID PLATT
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
ASTON VILLA

CHRIS WADDLE
FORWARD
MARSEILLE (FRANCE)

PETER BEARDSLEY
FORWARD
LIVERPOOL

GARY LINEKER
FORWARD
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

STEVE BULL
FORWARD
WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

HOLLAND

SEEDING 2

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HOLLAND	**6**	**4**	**2**	**0**	**8**	**2**	**10**
WEST GERMANY	6	3	3	0	13	3	9
FINLAND	6	1	1	4	4	16	3
WALES	6	0	2	4	4	8	2

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
HOLLAND v W. GERMANY	1–1	0–0
HOLLAND v FINLAND	3–0	0–1
HOLLAND v WALES	1–0	1–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

1974
Beaten finalists

1978
Beaten finalists

THE STRIPS

GROUP F TEAM 2

THE SQUAD

HANS VAN BREUKELEN
GOALKEEPER
PSV EINDHOVEN

THEO SNELDERS
GOALKEEPER
ABERDEEN (SCOTLAND)

GRAEME RUTJES
DEFENDER
KV MECHELEN (BELGIUM)

SONNY SILOOY
DEFENDER
AJAX

FRANK RIJKAARD
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
A C MILAN (ITALY)

RONALD KOEMAN
DEFENDER
BARCELONA (SPAIN)

ADRI VAN TIGGELEN
DEFENDER/SWEEPER
ANDERLECHT (BELGIUM)

BERRY VAN AERLE
DEFENDER/MIDFIELD
PSV EINDHOVEN

MICHEL BOEREBACH
MIDFIELD
PSV EINDHOVEN

ARON WINTER
MIDFIELD
AJAX

GERALD VANENBURG
MIDFIELD
PSV EINDHOVEN

JAN WOUTERS
MIDFIELD
AJAX

JUUL ELLERMAN
MIDFIELD
PSV EINDHOVEN

ERWIN KOEMAN
MIDFIELD
KV MECHELEN (BELGIUM)

PETER HUISTRA
MIDFIELD/FORWARD
TWENTE ENSCHEDE

MARCO VAN BASTEN
FORWARD
A C MILAN (ITALY)

JOHN BOSMAN
FORWARD
KV MECHELEN (BELGIUM)

JOHNNY VAN'T SCHIP
FORWARD
AJAX

WIM KIEFT
FORWARD
PSV EINDHOVEN

RUUD GULLIT
FORWARD
A C MILAN (ITALY)

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

SEEDING 3

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SPAIN	8	6	1	1	20	3	13
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	**8**	**5**	**2**	**1**	**10**	**2**	**12**
HUNGARY	8	2	4	2	8	12	8
NORTHERN IRELAND	8	2	1	5	6	12	5
MALTA	8	0	2	6	3	18	2

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
Rep of IRELAND v SPAIN	1–0	2–0
Rep of IRELAND v HUNGARY	2–0	0–0
Rep of IRELAND v N. IRELAND	3–0	0–0
Rep of IRELAND v MALTA	2–0	0–2

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS

The Republic of Ireland have never before reached the World Cup Finals

THE STRIPS

GROUP F TEAM 3

THE SQUAD

PAT BONNER
GOALKEEPER
GLASGOW CELTIC

GERRY PEYTON
GOALKEEPER
BOURNEMOUTH

STEVE STAUNTON
DEFENDER
LIVERPOOL

CHRIS HUGHTON
DEFENDER
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

MICK McCARTHY
DEFENDER
LYON (FRANCE)

JOHN ANDERSON
DEFENDER
NEWCASTLE UNITED

CHRIS MORRIS
DEFENDER
GLASGOW CELTIC

DAVID O'LEARY
DEFENDER
ARSENAL

KEVIN MORAN
DEFENDER
GIJON (SPAIN)

PAUL McGRATH
MIDFIELD
ASTON VILLA

JOHN SHERIDAN
MIDFIELD
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY

ANDY TOWNSEND
MIDFIELD
NORWICH CITY

RONNIE WHELAN
MIDFIELD
LIVERPOOL

RAY HOUGHTON
MIDFIELD
LIVERPOOL

LIAM O'BRIEN
MIDFIELD
NEWCASTLE UNITED

KEVIN SHEEDY
MIDFIELD
EVERTON

TONY CASCARINO
FORWARD
ASTON VILLA

JOHN ALDRIDGE
FORWARD
REAL SOCIEDAD (SPAIN)

FRANK STAPLETON
FORWARD
BLACKBURN ROVERS

NIALL QUINN
FORWARD
MANCHESTER CITY

EGYPT

SEEDING 4

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

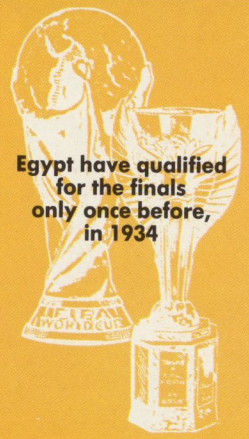
TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
EGYPT	**6**	**3**	**2**	**1**	**6**	**2**	**8**
LIBERIA	6	2	2	2	2	3	6
MALAWI	6	1	3	2	3	4	5
KENYA	6	1	3	2	2	4	5

THE ROUTE TO ITALY

HOME TEAM SCORE STATED FIRST

	HOME	AWAY
EGYPT v LIBERIA	2–0	1–0
EGYPT v MALAWI	1–0	1–1
EGYPT v KENYA	2–0	0–0
EGYPT v ALGERIA	1–0	0–0

PREVIOUS WORLD CUP PLACINGS



Egypt have qualified for the finals only once before, in 1934

THE STRIPS

GROUP F TEAM 4

THE SQUAD

AHMED SHOUBEIR
GOALKEEPER
AL AHLY

AIMAN TAHER
GOALKEEPER
ZAMALEK

AHMED RAMZY
DEFENDER
ZAMALEK

HISHAM YAKIN
DEFENDER
ZAMALEK

FATIH MABROUK
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

HANY RAMZY
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

RABAA YASIN
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

IBRAHIM HASSAN
DEFENDER
AL AHLY

TAHER ABU ZEID
MIDFIELD
AL AHLY

AYMAN CHAWKWI
MIDFIELD
ALMEHALAA

BADR RAGHAB
MIDFIELD
AL AHLY

AHMED EL KAS
MIDFIELD
OLYMPIC (ALEXANDRIA)

GAMEL EL HAMID
MIDFIELD
ZAMALEK

MAGDI ABDEL GANI
MIDFIELD
BEIRA-MAR (PORTUGAL)

YASSER FAROUKH
MIDFIELD
AL MACALOUN

EMAD SOLEMAN
FORWARD
ISMAILI

ALAH MAIWUB
FORWARD
AL AHLY

HOSSAN HASSAN
FOWARD
AL AHLY

HISHAM ABDEL RASOUL
FORWARD
ALMINIA

SABER EID
FORWARD
ALMEHALAA

A guide to the towns and cities that will play host to the teams and supporters in the 1990 World Cup Finals.

UDINE
FRIULI
CAPACITY 42,311

The smallest of The World Cup towns with a population of 103,000, Udine was almost completely rebuilt following a disastrous earthquake in 1976. It is the most noriherly venue, close to the borders of both Austria and Yugoslavia. The town itself stands on a mound supposedly built by Atilla the Hun so that he may watch the burning of Aquileia, then an important Roman centre to the south. From this somewhat ruthless beginning Udine became peacemaker in the 16th century when the treaty between France and Austria was signed just 3 miles from the town centre, signalling the end of Napoleon's first campaign in Italy (1797).

VERONA
MARC 'ANTONIO BENTEGODI
CAPACITY 43,216

This is Italy's most romantic city, not least because of the pinkish glow that emanates from its beautiful rose-coloured, marble buildings and spreads itself over the River Adige whenever there is a full moon in the sky. It is little wonder then that Shakespeare chose it as the setting for Romeo and Juliet, the most romantic story of all time. Verona is also home to some of Italy's most famous wines, notably Valpolicella, Bardolino and Soave, and its peaches are sold all over Italy.

MILAN
GIUSEPPE MEAZZA
CAPACITY 83,407

Unlike most other Italian cities, Milan's skyline is dominated by skyscrapers not ancient monuments, and its boutiques outnumber restaurants three to one. It is a busy and industrious European trade centre, whose culture is truly cosmopolitan, and at the forefront of all that is new in fashion, leisure and the arts. The sleek Pirelli tower built in 1959 stands over the city as a symbol of its preference for the modern over the ancient, and is one of the tallest buildings in Europe.
Ironically though, one of Italy's most traditional and enduring pastimes has its most well known venue in this least traditional city. La Scala, the most famous Opera House in the world provides the Milanese with the best in old and new Italian culture.

TURIN
STADIO COMUNALE
CAPACITY 71,362

Cars, food and religion dominate this most westerly of World Cup venues that will host the great Brazilian squad during the first phase. The Italian love of fast cars rivals even their love for football, and it is in Turin that two of the greatest motor manufacturers, Fiat and Lancia, are based. Not surprisingly a large number of the city's workers are employed in the automotive and related industries, and therefore there is little concerted effort to attract tourists. However, Turin has, unwittingly it seems, become the focus of international attention and much religious debate over the past few years—and all because of a piece of cloth. The Shroud of Turin is claimed by some to be the very piece of fabric that Christ was wrapped in for burial following his crucifixion, and bears the visible imprint of a body as evidence.

GENOA
LUIGI FERRARIS
CAPACITY 44,800

This sprawling north-western city that will host two of Scotland's first round games, has three claims to fame. Firstly it is Italy's greatest seaport, handling 1000s of tonnes of European and World shipping every day. Secondly Genoa claims to be the birthplace of arguably the most internationally popular article of clothing ever, blue jeans. Originally called "Le blu di Genova" they were allegedly first worn by the city's dockworkers. The third boast, though disputed by some other Italian towns, is its claim to have invented Ravioli. It was originally developed to use up left over scraps of meat, cheese and pasta dough at a time when a dockworker's wage did not permit the luxury of waste.

BOLOGNA
RENATO DALL'ARA
CAPACITY 41,200

Bologna has two nick-names that help to describe the nature of the city and its inhabitants. It is often called 'Bologna La Dotta' (Bologna the learned) on account of it being the home of the oldest University in Europe. This not only gives the city an enormously rich intellectual heritage, but endows it with a modern, vibrant culture of students and attracts headline bands from all over Europe.
The second nickname, while less complimentary alludes to the city's claim to be the gastronomic capital of Italy. 'Bologna la Grassa' (Bologne the Fat) humourously refers to the delicious range of sausages and pasta dishes available in Bologna, including the most famous of all—Spaghetti BOLOG-NESE!

FLORENCE
STADIO COMMUNALE
CAPACITY 49,000

The intellectual and artistic centre of Italy, Florence is home to Michelangelo's most famous statue 'David' and offers breath taking views up and down the River Arno from the world famous Ponte Vecchio bridge.
Every year two teams of 27 players meet in the Piazza Signoria to play a mediaeval version of football known as Calcio Storico, with a wooden ball and in front of a capacity crowd.
This has been happening for more than 100 years and is the basis of the claim that the game was invented in Florence, not England as is widely believed.

BARI
DELLA VITTORIA
CAPACITY 60,500

Situated towards the 'heel' of Italy on the south east coast, Bari is the cultural nucleus of the region and the principal ferry point for travel to and from Yugoslavia across the Adriatic sea. Despite its size and 'fishing village' appeal, Bari has a interesting historical significance. For it is here that St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is reputed to have achieved fame by resurrecting three children whom a butcher had cut up and put in brine. The feast of St. Nicholas on the 8th of May is one of the towns annual attractions and is celebrated at sea with boats full of people praying before the saints statue. It is the same St. Nicholas whose bones now lie beneath the 11th century Basilica in Bari that bears his name, that was later to become Father Christmas or Santa Claus.

NAPLES
SAN PAOLO
CAPACITY 83,311

In Roman times Naples was a favourite holiday resort for great emperors like Augustus, Tiberius and Nero who travelled down the west coast from the capital city. Today Naples is a city of dense, hectic and dangerous traffic, excellent food, and home to some of the best soccer talent in the world. This despite the fact that many of its buildings were severely damaged by an earthquake in November 1980, and the volcano Vesuvius dominates the skyline, a thin wisp of smoke curling over its momentarily tranquil peak.
Neapolitans love their food and are masters of the artful combination of two classic Italian ingredients—spaghetti and seafood.

CAGLIARI
SANT 'ELIA
CAPACITY 44,200

When God made the countries of the world, he had a small amount of dirt left over which he threw into the Mediterranean sea and stepped on it. This became Sardinia. So the story goes, but the island is in fact one of the most picturesque sun spots in the whole of Italy. Cagliari itself is the chief port, capital and home to a large pink flamingo population for large parts of the year. Today it is a busy, bustling city of some quarter of a million native Sardinians, but its history is one of constant invasion since pre-Roman times.
The invasion of 1990 is likely to be no less passionate than the previous ones, as the supporters of England, Holland, Republic of Ireland and Egypt converge on Cagliari in search of soccer glory.

PALERMO
DELLA FAVORITA
CAPACITY 40,632

One of the two venues situated off the Italian mainland, Palermo is the provincial capital of Sicily, the largest island in the Mediterranean. As well as being the traditional home of the Mafia, Sicily is dominated by the largest active volcano in Europe, Mount Etna, whose eruptions thoughout history have periodically devastated parts of the island.
Palermo is a busy tourist town and port with a population of around 700,000. Like most mediterranean islands seafood is not only the staple diet but a speciality, especially 'pasta con le sarde' (sardines with fennel) and 'pesce spada' or swordfish.

ROME
STADIO OLIMPICO
CAPACITY 84,800

Rome, capital of the world's greatest empire to which it gave its name, principal seat of christianity after the collapse of the ancient civilisations and the cultural home of the museum, art gallery and monument, is nick-named 'The Eternal City' for good reason. For rather that let its greatest historical assets become museums themselves the Italians use Rome to its full—their are concerts in the classical ruins, live football games projected onto vast screens in the majestic piazze, and the fish market in the portico of the pantheon has been there now for almost 1000 years. It is fitting that Rome, home of great historical events, should host the modern day equivalent and be able to relive the great colliseum traditions as the world's greatest sporting spectacle reaches its climax.

THE VENUES

"THE WORLD CUP STARTS HERE!" TRIVIA QUIZ

How much do you really know about The World Cup, its history, the great players, and the teams that will go for glory in ITALY 1990?

Test your knowledge by answering the questions below then check your answers against the correct ones printed upside down at the foot of the following page.

Score 5 points for each correct answer, then check your final score against the TRIVIA LEAGUE TABLE to find out your WORLD CUP KNOWLEDGE RATING!

QUESTIONS

1. What is the official name given to The World Cup trophy?
2. How many times have Italy won The World Cup?
3. Which goalkeeper let in 5 goals in his league debut and went on to captain a World Cup winning side?
4. Which Italian city claims to have invented football before the English?
5. Which Spanish player is nicknamed 'El Buitre' or 'The Vulture'?
6. At what age did Diego Maradona make his league debut?
7. How many professional clubs will Gary Lineker have played for prior to the ITALY 1990 finals?
8. Which Yugoslavian star recently transferred from Red Star Belgrade to Marseille, France?
9. How much (in pounds) did A.C. Milan pay for Rud Gullitt in 1987?
10. Which Italian striker has played in the same team as Liam Brady, Trevor Francis and Graeme Souness?
11. Which stadium has the lowest capacity in the ITALY 1990 finals?

12. Which player scored two hat-tricks for the winning side in the 1984 European championships?
13. On the 7th May, 1983 one of the world's great players finished his footballing career, playing for Bournemouth. Who was he?
14. Who holds the world post war record for most goals in a footballer's career?
15. Which two countries have between them, 13 players from same club, AL ALHY in their likely squad lists?
16. Which nation qualified for the Finals after a goaless draw with Israel in the South America/ Oceania play-offs?
17. Which great West German star 'replaced' Pele at New York Cosmos in 1977?
18. Why was Uruguay chosen to host the first ever World Cup tournament?
19. Where were The World Cup finals held the last time Scotland did not play in the final stages?
20. How many times has the host nation won The World Cup?

TRIVIA LEAGUE TABLE

ANSWERS: 1. Jules Rimet Trophy. 2. Three. 3. Dino Zoff. 4. Florence. 5. Emilio Butraguero. 6. Sixteen. 7. Four. 8. Dragan Stojkovic. 9. £5.5 million. 10. Gianinca Vialli. 11. Della Favorita Palermo. 12. Michel Platini. 13. George Best. 14 Pele. 15. Egypt and United Arab Emirates. 16. Colombia. 17 Franz Beckenbauer. 18. They were reigning Olympic champions. 19. Brazil. 20. Five.

SCORE	RATING
0–20	Two left feet!
20–40	Sunday league player
40–60	Gifted amateur
60–80	High ranking professional
80–90	International class
90–100	World Cup superstar!

TRIVIA QUIZ

DIEGO MARADONA
BORN 30th OCTOBER 1960 — ARGENTINA

Currently the undisputed world No. 1 player, he was the youngest ever Argentinian international when making his debut versus Hungary in 1977 at the age of 16.
Since then he has earned more than 60 international caps, captained his country to World Cup victory in Mexico '86, and dazzled audiences all over the world with his tireless running, amazing ball skills and remarkable vision.
He joined Napoli from Barcelona in 1984 for a world record fee of around £6.9 million.

CARECA
BORN 5th OCTOBER 1960 — BRAZIL

Made his international debut in 1982 against Czechoslovakia, but missed the Finals in Spain through injury.
A prolific goalscorer, Careca was one of the outstanding players of the last World Cup, leading the Brazilian attack and scoring 5 goals (including 2 against Northern Ireland).
He was top scorer in the Brazilian national championship in 1986-7 (25 goals) before being sold by Sao Paulo to Napoli where he now forms a lethal striking partnership with Maradona.

RUUD GULLIT
BORN 1st SEPTEMBER 1962 — HOLLAND

Two years younger than Maradona, Rudd Gullitt was voted European Footballer Of The Year in 1987 and is currently the only player in the world that realistically challenges the Argentinian ace for the world No. 1 spot. He made his international debut in 1981 against Switzerland while with Haarlem, but it was at Feyenoord from 1982 to 1985 that he blossomed as an outstanding all round footballer, able to act as sweeper, midfield general, winger or out and out striker as the situation demanded.
After 3 Dutch championship medals (2 with PSV Eindhoven) he moved to A.C. Milan in 1987 for a staggering £5.5 million, before displaying his remarkable talents in the 1988 European Championship, helping Holland to their first ever major international honour.

GIANLUCA VIALLI
BORN 9th JULY 1964 — ITALY

Hailed as the 'New Paulo Rossi', Vialli is carrying many of the hopes of the passionate Italian supporters on his young but experienced shoulders. He is quick, strong, skilful and always hungry for goals, much to the delight of his club Sampdoria who have benefited from his abilities since 1984. He has helped Sampdoria to win the Italian Cup no less than 4 times, not just by scoring goals with both feet but by harrying defenders, tackling in midfield, and running tirelessly at all times.
Since his international debut in 1985 he has grown into a truly world class striker, helped by having had the opportunity to play in the same team as Liam Brady, Trevor Francis and Graeme Souness.
With the experience gained in the 1986 World Cup and 1988 World Championships Vialli will be determined to make the 1990 Finals a personal triumph as well as a national one.

THE ONES TO WATCH

GARY LINEKER
BORN 30th NOVEMBER 1960 — ENGLAND

England's golden boy began his career with Leicester City in the 1978/1979 season and was the Midland club's top scorer for 4 successive seasons before joining Everton in 1985. Here he established himself as one of the league's most prolific marksmen, scoring over 30 goals in his first season and making the England centre forward position very much his own.
In the 1986 World Cup Finals Lineker joined all time soccer greats like Eusebio, Muller and Kempes on the World Cup Leading Scorers' list with 6 goals. This included a hat-trick against Poland, the first in a World Cup match by an England player since Geoff Hurst in the 1966 final.
Lineker's move to Barcelona after the World Cup was, at least at first, a great success both personally and for the club. But illness and a management change forced Gary to move on and in 1989 he joined Tottenham Hotspur, renewing his partnership with ex Barcelona manager Terry Venables.

EMILIO BUTRAGUENO
BORN 22nd JULY 1963 — SPAIN

Nicknamed 'El Buitre' or 'The Vulture', Butragueno earned himself headlines all around the world in 1986 when he scored four goals against Denmark—the greatest scoring feat in The World Finals since the great Eusebio's four against North Korea in England in 1966.
His form with Real Madrid has been no less explosive where he has won 2 UEFA cup, 4 Spanish Championships and 1 Spanish Cup winners' medal in only 6 seasons with the club. While his goals are often less than spectacular, it is his tireless running and chasing that forces the defensive errors on which he pounces and heads for goal.

ALLY McCOIST
BORN 24th SEPTEMBER 1962 — SCOTLAND

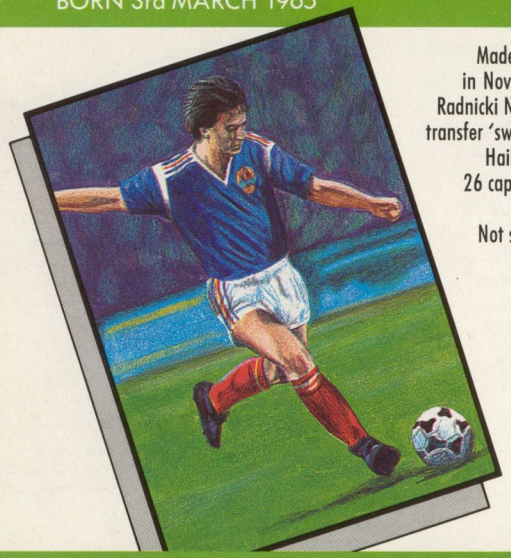
Ally joined Glasgow Rangers in June 1983 after spells with St. Johnstone and Sunderland and quickly established himself as one of the best strikers ever to pull on the famous blue shirt. His international career began in 1986 against Holland and he is Scotland's main hope in attack, working alongside Rangers team mate Mo Johnstone. However, despite his 20 caps McCoists' scoring rate for his country has not so far matched his impressive club record—a situation he will no doubt hope to rectify in Italy this year!

RUDI VOLLER
BORN 13th APRIL 1960 — WEST GERMANY

A former Bundesliga top scorer and 'Footballer Of The Year', Rudi Voller is currently the West Germans' most complete striker with 60 caps. He is no stranger to The World Cup occasion, and is one of the four players left in Beckenbauer's squad that played in the last World Cup Final versus Argentina in 1986.
Voller is likely to partner Jurgen Klinsmann up front and his experience, technique and goal instinct will no doubt help the younger striker to play to his full potential.
His transfer from Bremen in 1987 cost Roma £3.8 million.

DRAGAN STOJKOVIC

BORN 3rd MARCH 1965 — YUGOSLAVIA



Made his debut for Yugoslavia against France in Zagreb in November 1983 at just 18 years old, while playing for Radnicki Nis. He then joined Red Star Belgrade in 1986 for a transfer 'swop' reputedly of 5 players and a set of floodlights! Hailed as his country's most talented striker, and with 26 caps to his name already, Stojkovic is likely to emerge from The World Cup as one of the stars of 1990. Not surprisingly his new club Marsielle have had to pay the price for his promise—a reputed £5 million in transfer fees upon his arrival there after The World Cup Finals.

JOHN ALDRIDGE

BORN 15th SEPTEMBER 1958 — REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

John joined Real Sociedad in 1989 after extremely successful spells with Oxford United (he holds the record as their all time top scorer) and Liverpool. Whilst many thought that Aldridge would fail to live up to expectations as Ian Rush's replacement at Anfield, he proved himself as one of the UK's most prolific goalscorers, and only moved abroad following injury, which cost him his regular first team place.

His career so far at the Spanish first division club has been no less successful, and he already has his name in the record books for scoring in 6 consecutive matches. He has also found his scoring touch for his country now, netting 2 in their final qualifying match against Malta.

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